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Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington DC 20231

Sir:

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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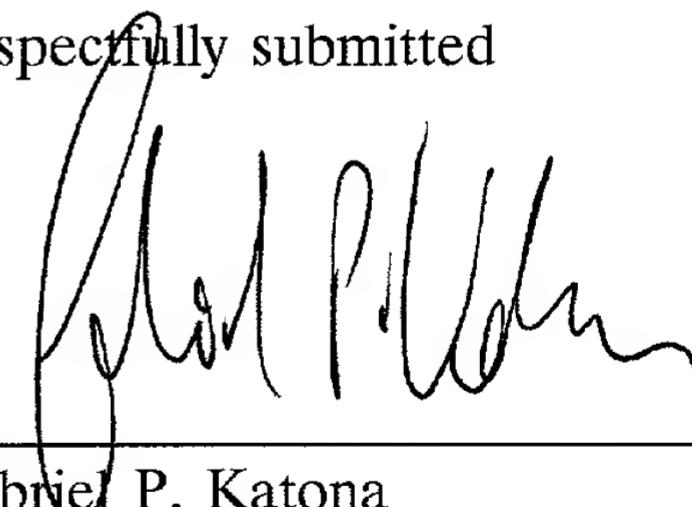
Abstract of the disclosure

A magnetosome of a magnetite monocrystal having a diameter of at least 45 nm surrounded by a phospholipid membrane, and at least one therapeutic agent therein, a process of treating a tumoral disease, inflammatory process, or metabolic disease, and for removing diseased cells, by administering the aforesaid magnetosome.

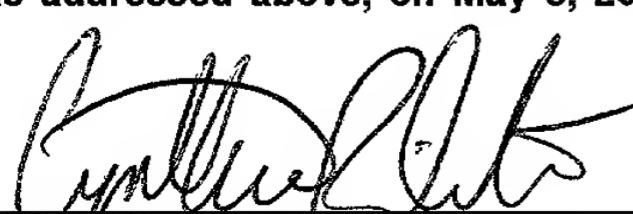
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